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Dr. England, Guest Speaker

Bible College Dean To Bring Messages

Dr. Stephen J. England, educator extraordinary, profound scholar, plain Gospel preacher, succinct writer, much sought after lecturer, will be guest speaker at the 1950 Oregon Convention at Turner.

Dr. England, Dean of the College of the Bible, Phillips University, is author of the book "The Apostolic Church," printed by Northwest Christian College. He is also author of "We Disciples" and of many articles in Christian journals. He provides comments in "The Front Rank" for Uniform Bible School Lessons. Despite the fact that he holds many academic degrees, Dr. England speaks with a direct and simple incisiveness that makes his messages readily intelligible to all and deeply moving and challenging. As the outstanding New Testament scholar of our brotherhood in this country, he holds a place of highest distinction for a New Testament people.

Dr. England's messages will be given daily between 11:25 and 12:05. Following out the Convention theme, **"The Race Before Us,"** his messages, beginning on Tuesday morning, June 27, will be given in the following order:

Tuesday — "The Race Set Before Us."
Wednesday — "Father of Spirits".
Thursday — "Treating You As Sons".
Friday — "The Fellowship of the Redeemed."
Saturday — "Looking to Jesus".

Each message will be a Gospel sermon with title from Hebrews. There will be food for thought on the part of all and a renewing of intellectual and spiritual vigor on the part of those who share by hearing.

STEPHEN J. ENGLAND

REGISTRATION

E. M. Eldridge, Field Representative for Northwest Christian College, will see to it that everyone who attends also registers. There is no charge for registering so do not try to dodge Ed because he and all the rest of us want to know who comes to the Convention and how many come.

TURNER CONVENTION

98th Annual Gathering

The period from 9:25 to 9:50, Tuesday through Saturday of the Oregon Convention this year will be devoted to great sermons on great gospel themes by great preachers. From these messages we shall receive inspiration and challenge to go on to greater accomplishments for Christ.

The Tuesday message on **Christian Evangelism** will be brought by **James Earl Ladd** of Central Christian Church, Portland. His many years of high achievement in evangelism assures us of a great message by one who has proved his message by his achievements.

EVERYBODY SING

Walter and Rosemary Naff of First Christian Church, Salem, will again be Convention song leaders. From our experience last year we know that this team can even get tone deaf Christians to sing with the heart and with the understanding if not with concert voices. So, everybody, Let's Sing!

And there will be special numbers provided by outstanding musicians. Of course the Northwest Christian College Male Quartet will be there to sing the Gospel with fervor and beauty. And there will be solos and duets and other varieties of musical presentation. So come to Turner June 26-July 2 and rejoice in the Lord by singing His praises.

Prayer Services

Each day of the Oregon Convention, scheduled activities will begin with a prayer service from 8:10 to 8:25. Leland Earls, pastor of the Multnomah Church of Christ will lead these sessions. All who attend the Convention should plan to begin the day by participating in these prayer services.

Dudley Strain of First Christian Church, Salem, will bring the Wednesday sermon on **"Christian Citizenship"**. With a record of Christian service to the community in which he ministers, he will be able to challenge us to reach out beyond our church family to the community, whether local, state or world.

The teacher of Speech and Advanced Homiletics at Northwest Christian College, **Prof. Ward A. Rice**, will preach on **"Christian Stewardship"** on Wednesday. His ability as a preacher and his success in the field of Christian Stewardship furnish adequate assurance that this message will lift our concept of stewardship to new heights.

Dr. C. F. Swander, whose life has been devoted to the enlargement of the church in Oregon and the practicing of Christian brotherliness, will bring from his years of devotion to the Gospel of Christ, a message on **"Christian Unity"** at the morning preaching hour on Friday. Every Christian of Oregon will want to hear this great message from one whose life exemplifies his message.

That we may not rest on our present spiritual condition, **Harold Lyman**, pastor of the Court Street Church in Salem, will conclude this morning series of messages by challenging us with a Gospel presentation on the theme of **"Christian Spiritual Growth"**. Harold Lyman is well known for his deep spiritual life and ability to lead others to the throne of grace.

Six Evenings With Christ

The six evening sessions of the 1950 Oregon Christian Missionary Convention program at Turner are to bring us all into the presence of our Master, lift us to new spiritual heights and inspire us to carry forward a greater program for Christ both within Oregon and throughout the world.

Prof. Ronald E. Osborn of Northwest Christian College will open the series of evening messages in a presentation of the great work which has been done in Oregon during the past century, then challenging us with a presentation of the unfinished task. We are assured that the eloquence of Prof. Osborn will launch the Convention sessions on a high spiritual plane.

Dr. C. C. Roberts, pastor of the First Christian Church of Eugene, will bring a great Gospel message on Evangelism on the second evening of the Convention. Dr. Roberts is Chairman of the State Evangelistic Committee and holds similar positions in national work. With more than two hundred additions during the first seven months of his ministry in Eu, gene, he needs no other recommendation to those who believe in evangelizing Oregon.

Wednesday evening, June 28, is to bring forth a great message on Christian Education from the Bible School through college and out into the work of the church. Teachers in Bible School, college, public school and elsewhere are to be special guests of honor. The name of the speaker will be announced soon.

With **Grace Hendricks** of Japan and **John T. Chase** of Korea sharing the platform on Thursday evening, June 29, we know that the call of distant lands for the Gospel of redemption will be presented with the eloquence of those who have given their lives in such service. Anything less than a packed house for these messengers of the cross would be a disappointment.

Youth will take over the evening session, Friday, June 30. And since no vigorous Christian will ever admit to growing old, we anticipate that this will be an evening of unrivalled vigor and enthusiasm. **Dr. John Paul Pack,** pastor of the great University Church in Seattle, will be the guest speaker on this evening.

The inimitable **Mark Rutherford** who has the latest and best stories and also all the punch that can be wrapped up in one go-getter of a man on fire for Christ will drive home once more the great challenge for evangelism as he speaks on Saturday evening, July 1. Every Christian man of Oregon that can get to Turner Convention Grounds will want to share in this great evening.

Six great evenings for Christ with six great messages. And each message is to be preceded by a period of worship and some form of pageantry, drama or recognition service that will set the stage for an evening of thrilling moments with the Word of God and the risen Lord.

Our Missionaries

Missionary messages this year will be brought by ambassadors of Christ who have been out on the missionary front in foreign fields.

Grace Hendricks on Japan will speak at 2 P. M. on Tuesday and 3 P. M. on Thursday of convention week. She was a missionary to Japan before the depression days of the '30's, a worker with displaced Japanese during the war years, and has returned to reestablish missionary work since the war. She and her husband, are supported by the United Missionary Society.

John T. Chase of Korea will speak at 2 P. M. on Wednesday, and 2 P. M. on Friday. His missionary service began in Japan but, seeing the need in Korea, he entered that field and has either been on the Korean field or closely in touch with it for a number of years. As a direct support missionary, he works with the Korean Christian Mission.

Mr. Chase and Mrs. Hendricks will share the convention program time on Thursday evening, June 29. We anticipate that our attention will be directed to the need for and accomplishments of the Christian missionaries of Korea and Japan.

Business

Places on the 1950 program of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention have been provided for business meetings as follows:

WOMEN'S STATE BOARD MEETING at 2 P. M., Monday, June 26.

OREGON STATE BOARD MEETING, 3 P. M., Monday, June 26.

STATE MISSIONARY SOCIETY BUSINESS MEETING, 2 P. M., Thursday, June 29.

OREGON CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY BUSINESS MEETING, 2:30 P. M., Friday, June 30.

OREGON NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD, Saturday afternoon, July 1.

LORD'S DAY CONVENTION PROGRAM

On Sunday, July 2, at the Turner Convention, the Bible School will convene at 9:30 a. m. Leighton Dashiell of Dallas will serve as Superintendent.

At 11 a. m., the morning worship will be conducted with Dr. Paul Preston bringing the message. Harold Lyman will direct the communion service, using young people to serve. The afternoon session will begin at 2:30 p. m. and close at 3:45. Dr. S. J. England, guest preacher for the Convention, will speak on the theme, "The Glory of the Commonplace". Every place in the tabernacle should be crowded as Dr. England brings to a thrilling climax and conclusion this great Gospel preaching and teaching convention.

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The State Secretary - Director's Diary

Much of this month was spent out of the state since it was my privilege to attend the field staff meeting of Christian educational workers in Indianapolis. This was an excellent meeting and well attended. There seems to be an increase throughout the country in church attendance and interest. I left Portland the night of April 1 and went to Pontiac, Michigan and spent a few days assisting my cousin who is pastor of First Christian Church in a few days church rally. On the way home I preached at Powell Butte and attended the afternoon session of the Central Oregon rally and district convention at Redmond. I also preached at Enterprise and Wallowa. Held a conference with some of the leaders of the Nyssa church, attended the Northwest Preachers Parliament in Eugene and met with the Turner Grounds Committee at Turner. Two days were spent in the office with one office conference. I traveled 5,582 miles during the month. There were 258 letters mailed through the office. —C.H.A.

Rutherford To Lead Visitation

Following his participation in the Turner convention program on July 1, arrangements have been made for Mark Rutherford to preach in Albany on Sunday morning, July 2, and in Lebanon for the Sunday evening service of that day. Rumor then has it that he and his wife will have opportunity to see some of Oregon's most beautiful scenery on July 3 and 4, with the possibility of a picnic to be arranged at a resort on July 4. If this latter plan works out further announcements will be made so that men and their families may join in the fun and mix in some conference work for men on the side.

On July 5, 6, and 7, Mark will lead a visitation evangelism campaign in Albany. He will work in that field during the day and will instruct local visitation teams at a dinner each evening. Some opportunity may be given to men from neighboring churches to share in these teams and the Albany church should be contacted in such cases. As the teams go out to call Mark will speak to the men coming in from the surrounding area at 8:00 P. M. Following his messages reports from returning teams of callers will be made when possible so that visiting delegations may share in their victories and enthusiasm. —E.P.D.

When Do We Eat?

There is plenty of time at the Turner Convention to eat and also to attend Convention sessions. If you want to you can arrange to do your own cooking if you like to camp out. But if you want a vacation while others work, then the cafeteria is available.

Mrs. E. M. Eldridge will again be in charge of the cafeteria. A number of changes are being made so that the highest degree of efficiency in serving can be attained. Also, other improvements will make for better cooking facilities which will in turn be reflected in the luciousness of the food. And the cost will be so reasonable that you will wonder how it can be done that way.

If you have never been to the Turner Convention or shared a meal there, you will have a happy surprise when you come this year.

When do we eat? Same old time: breakfast in the morning, dinner at noon, supper in the evening. Just bring your appetite.

Restudy

Some years ago a Commission on Restudy of the Disciples of Christ was established by the International Convention. This Commission has, from time to time, brought written reports on its findings. Since Committee members represent widely varying views within our brotherhood, the last written report is of great significance.

Dr. S. J. England, guest preacher at the 1950 Oregon Convention, is a member of this Restudy Commission. He will discuss the findings of the Com. mission on Friday, June 30, following the Business session. Other well informed persons will share in the discussion. Those who are deeply interested in the future of our work as a brotherhood will be vitally concerned with this particular session and those who attend will be better able to discuss some of the problems confronting our work.

N.C.C. Notes

Three of the May chapel services were turned over to the Advanced Homiletics class under the direction of Prof. Ward A. Rice. Members of the class shared in presenting sermons as a part of their class work.

Honor Day is to be observed on May 25 at 3 P. M. with Prof. Ronald E. Osborn giving the principal address. On this day the students and alumni who have won or merited special recognition for academic achievements of Christian service will be honored.

Before N.C.C. Day, March 26, contributions to the General Fund were lagging a bit over the previous year. But when the books closed on April 30, it was discovered that the General Fund had received, from contributions, a bit more than $1100.00 above that of the previous year during the first ten months of the fiscal year. Contributions during March and April exceeded by $9700.23 the contributions of March and April 1949. This assures Northwest Christian College that another instructor can be added to the staff for the coming year.

The "Religious Education Practicum", May 1-13,, under the direction of Miss Ruth Reynolds of the Department of Religious Education of the United Christian Missionary Society, proved to be exceptionally successful in attracting students. Each of the three sections — Kindergarten, Primary and Junior — attracted approximately 25 students. While some individuals took work in more than one of the sections, the total number of different students enrolled was about 60. Miss Dorothy Mitchell of University Christian Church, Seattle, and Mrs. Oakley Rhay of Eugene, assisted in the Practicum. The success of the venture assures a repeat performance next year.

Campus Day at N.C.C. will be May 18. Work for all is being planned.

On May 2 the Students of N.C.C. presented to Prof. Ronald Osborn two pieces of luggage in appreciation of his work with them and as a token of their esteem for him. We regret losing Ronald, Naomi and daughter Virginia at the close of this school year and wish them God's blessing in their new work at Butler. The Osborns will be remaining in Eugene most of the summer.

Displays

One feature of the Oregon Convention that always attracts attention and furnishes a meeting place for brethren is the various displays. This year it is anticipated that there will be as many displays of books, of causes and of achievements, as ever, and perhaps a few more, and every display will be informative. Want to know what's going on? Come to the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention, June 26 to July 2, visit the displays, buy some books, gather up some literature, and talk with organizational representatives. You will be thrilled with the total impact which all these causes make on our needy world.

MISSIONARIES TO AFRICA

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ransford plan to sail for Africa in August, to join the Guy Humphreys family in the eastern portion of the Belgian Congo. They will be taking a truck presented by the Cincinnati Avenue Church, in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Madisonville (Ohio) Church Bible School has taken Mrs. Ransford's living-link support. We note in AMONG OURSELVES that they need $5000 by sailing time. Designated money should be sent to Africa Christian Mission, Box 5, Station C., Cincinnati 26, Ohio.

Brother and Sister Humphreys opened a school in February. This school is being carried on with 30 students, in spite of inadequate housing or textbooks. "But the need of it made it possible for students and missionaries alike to put up with all sort of 'inconveniences' in order to carry on."

After two months teaching by a student preacher, and a doctrinal course by Guy Humphreys, a church was established in a leper colony with 21 baptisms in February, and 12 other members who had been baptized outside of the colony. The number of baptisms is now more than 700. The Ransfords should give added impetus to an already thriving work. —J.F.C.

Baptist - Disciple Unity

On Wednesday afternoon, June 28, Dr. S. J. England, will lead a discussion on the proposed merger of the Baptist-Disciple Conventions. Dr. Paul Preston, will share this period with Dean England. The importance of this question should command the attention of everyone interested in Christian unity and this concrete problem in unity.

Men Sponsor New Camp

Ninety and Nine Men of the Mid-Columbia District meeting at The Dalles on April 20, voted to sponsor a new Christian Boys' Camp at Green Point (P.O. Hood River). President "Pink" Owen appointed a camp committee to take charge of the physical arrangements for the camp and Ray Aplet, The Dalles minister, accepted the duties of camp dean. Dallas Meserve will direct the camp and the faculty will be composed chiefly of N.C.C. students. The date of the Green Point camp will be July 9-15.

G. E. Baldwin, local president, gave a word of greeting following a fine dinner provided by The Dalles ladies. Charles Anderson sang a solo, accompanied by Mrs. Aplet, and the message of the evening on "Obligations of Men" was brought by Mr. Aplet. Greetings were given by Dallas Meserve, Ray Smith, and Ed Dewees who drove up from Portland to visit the rally. An offering for the state work was taken and the responsibility of leading the men's prayer meeting at Turner on July 1 was accepted by the district. George Kaseberg of The Dalles will have charge of the meeting. A nominating committee was appointed to report at Mid-Columbia spring convention at the Valley Christian Church (Hood River) on May 7. —E.P.D.

Dates To Remember

Northwest Christian College Commencement Week, June 4-6.
East Oregon Girls' Camp, June 18-24.
State Convention, Turner, June 26-July 2.
West Oregon Young People's Conference, Turner, July 2-9.
Turner Pioneer Camp for Intermediate age, July 9-16.
State Lab School, Salem, July 9-15.
Rural Life Conference, Corvallis, July 11-15.
Turner Girls' Camp, July 16-22.
East Oregon Adult Conference, Cove, July 17-22.
Turner Boys' Camp, July 23-29.
East Oregon Pioneer Camp for Intermediate age, Cove, July 23-30.
East Oregon Young Peoples' Conference, Cove, July 30-August 5.
Crescent Lake Boys' Camp, July 30-August 5.
Wi-Ne-Ma Boys' Camp, July 30-August 5.
Eastern Oregon Boys' Camp, Cove, August 6-12.
Southern Oregon, Oregon Caves Young Peoples' Conference and Pioneer Camp at Grayback, August 6-12
Southern Oregon Boys' Camp, Grayback, August 13-19.

GIVE TO STATE MISSIONS

Idaho Convention

Mrs. Edna L. Burke spent April 30-May 5, in Pocatello, Idaho attending the South Idaho state convention. She presented Christian Women's Fellowship, materials, and took part in the Women's program of the convention. She was pleased that Grace Hendricks was the missionary speaker for the South Idaho convention. Mrs. Burke and Mrs. Hendricks were school mates years ago in old Eugene Bible University days. In fact that was where they both met the men who later became their husbands.

Crusade News

THE CRUSADE CLIMAX, SUNDAY, JUNE 18, 1950

From India, Dr. Don Rice writes about Damoh Hospital, "With Crusade funds we hope to build a new dispensary . . . . to have a better staff laboratory and drug room facilities." The Crusade allotment for this project is just a minimum desperately needed for this expanding work.

Since 1947 the third Sunday in June has been a red-letter day in the life of many churches. It marks the climax of three years of the most intensive and extensive efforts of our churches toward the fulfillment of our obligation to a world threatened with the destruction of the most precious values of life.

In churches that have surpassed their goals it will be a day of humble gratitude for well-earned victories, a day of launching a forward movement to permanently maintain the high level of stewardship to which the congregation has been lifted through the Crusade.

Other churches, with their obligations incomplete, will use the final months of the third year to put into operation plans to make achievement Sunday, June 18, 1950, a day of victory — taking up the slack between what they had done up to the beginning of the fourth quarter and what they aimed to do when they began to Crusade. Crusade Achievement Sunday will be a day for payment of all pledges.

The Crusade funds provided the equipment for this kindergarten room at Mexico Christian Institute, San Antonio, Texas. The densely populated area in which MCI is located is a better place to live because of this home missionary work under the auspices of the United Society.

—RNS PHOTO

Christian benevolence regards needy persons seeking aid in times of crisis as being "possessors of an inherent right to share in the opportunities and benefits which are essential to our conception of human welfare." Homes supported by the National Benevolent Association need Crusade funds.

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STEPHEN J. ENGLAND
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CONVENTION CLASSES

"GREAT BIBLE DOCTRINES"
DR. STEPHEN J. ENGLAND

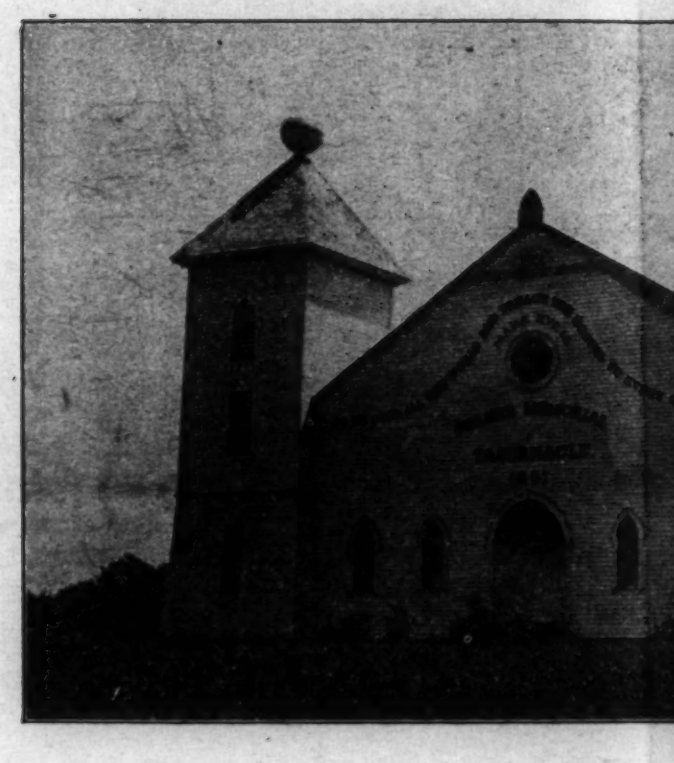
"ADMINISTERING A PROGRAM OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION"
MISS RUTH TOWNE

"WOMEN AND THE WORLD TASK"
MRS. EDNA L. BURKE

"THE MINISTER'S PROBLEMS"
(FIRST PERIOD)
DR. C. C. ROBERTS

"PLANNING FOR CHILDREN IN THE CHURCH"
(FIRST PERIOD)
MRS. CHLOE KELLY

"THE MINISTER AND THE CHILDREN"
(SECOND PERIOD)
MRS. CHLOE KELLY AND
DR. C. C. ROBERTS



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MESSAGES BY PAUL PRESTON

2:40 - 3:30 TUESDAY, JUNE 27
"NEW TESTAMENT STEWARDSHIP"

2:00 - 2:50 THURSDAY, JUNE 29
"CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP AND THE MINISTER"

4:00 P. M. FRIDAY, JUNE 30
"REPORT OF THE COMMISSION TO RESTUDY"
OF THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

11:00 A. M. SUNDAY, JULY 2
MORNING SERMON

He will also participate in a discussion:

2:40 - 3:30 WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28
"BAPTIST - DISCIPLE RELATIONSHIPS"

HUBERT E. SIAS
State President
Oregon Christian Missionary Convention

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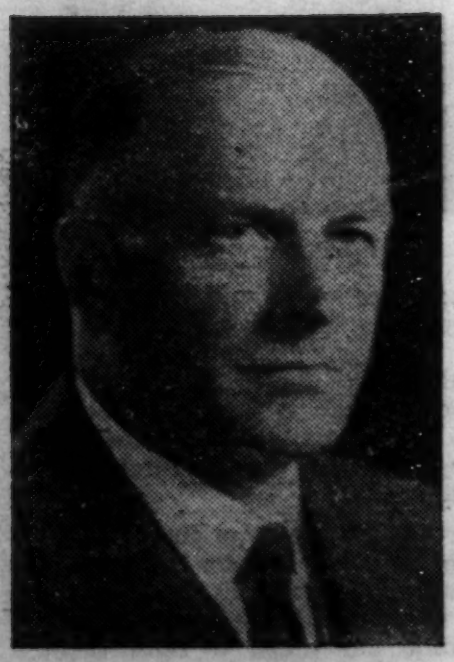

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Missionary to Japan

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DR. ROSS J. GRIFFETH
Program Chairman
1950 State Convention

The Third Year Crusade The Last Year FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD

Kenneth Johnston, Director

The State Chairman Speaks

The Crusade for A Christian World will soon be history so far as the three-year program is concerned. But in a larger sense, the Crusade will belong more to the future than to the past, for it will ever be a basic part of the life and progress of our brotherhood. Let us take a look at the following facts:

1. Education:

On April 26, 1950 a great delegation from churches throughout the Northwest was present for the ground-breaking ceremony for the new Northwest Christian College Women's dormitory. Both college and churches have waited for this dream to come true. Through the Crusade, funds have been provided. So long as this dormitory stands, it will be a witness to the Crusade and those churches who have shared. What is true of N.C.C. is also true of other Bible colleges of our brotherhood. New buildings and improvements throughout the land testify to the effectiveness of the Crusade.

Last year Ruth Towne spent a number of weeks in Oregon churches giving special help in religious education. Crusade funds made this help possible. This, too, is happening throughout the nation.

2. Campus Houses:

Witnessing to Christian students attending state colleges and universities are the Campus Houses. Trained personnel gives assurance that our young people will have a warm welcome into a Christian fellowship and spiritual program when they go to college. The Crusade is helping make possible this program. It will ever live in the lives of those students who have found "homes" in the Christian houses.

3. Missions:

In addition to the recruiting and training of hundreds of new missionaries, every mission station of our organized work has been enlarged and strengthened by Crusade help. The effort of this program will be seen in the lives of converts to Christ from every nation under heaven.

4. New Churches

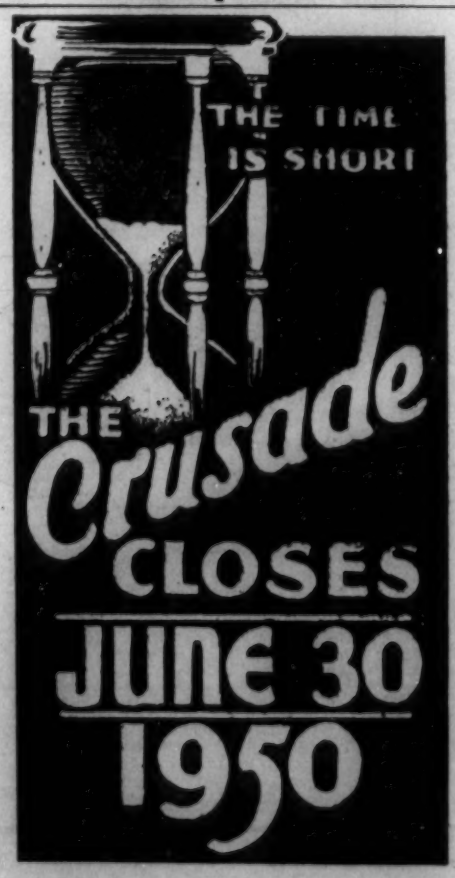
Hundreds of new churches are providing sanctuary and spiritual nourishment to new congregations. The Crusade has helped finance these churches. So long as the gospel is preached from these pulpits the Crusade will live!

5. Benevolence:

New homes for children and the aged through the N. B. A. is being made possible by the Crusade. These homes testify to a people who are concerned about the care of our orphans,, and our aged. They are also a memorial to the success of the Crusade. Space will not permit telling of the part the Crusade is having in evangelism, Christian homes, stewardship and deepening of our spiritual lives. These benefits can be seen in stronger lives, homes and churches.

The Crusade will forever belong to the future — Its achievements recorded in the timeless library of God!

Ground Breaking Service for Women's Dormitory at N.C.C.



Gasoline & Shoe-soul Evangelism

Various adjectives have been attached to Evangelism in an effort to describe the different methods of approach in the all-important task of winning souls to Christ. We speak of Mass Evangelism, Personal Evangelism, Visitation Evangelism, Friendship Evangelism, etc. All of these types of effort to bring unsaved people to the Lord are successful in proportion to the extent that the real secret of success is employed by the soul-winner. What is the main key to successful evangelistic endeavor? Is it a planned strategy? Is it prayer? Is it trained leadership? Is it proper timing? Certainly all of these are vital parts of any victorious evangelistic program. But the one thing necessary in any type of campaign for converts is what we may call "Shoe-soul Evangelism.".

As a rule the number of people won will be in direct proportion to the amount of shoe-leather burned up by the Christian in making contact with the sinner. Of course in our day it takes gasoline also to get the job done, so, we might call the secret of success, "Gasoline and Shoe-soul Evangelism". May the good Lord save us from the slavery of lesser things of the kingdom which often keeps us from burning gasoline and shoe-souls in an all-out continuous effort to make Christian souls of our neighbors. May the Crusade for a Christian World continue in its spirit of service to needy folk by an ever-increasing amount of "Gasoline and Shoe-soul Evangelism" in our beloved state of Oregon. —E. A. Parrish.

Crusade Sunday

June 18 is **Crusade Sunday!** We urge every congregation to observe this day. The shortness of time makes it imperative that churches plan immediately to complete their Crusade goals by June 30. When the Crusade ends, June 20, will your church be able to say "we have had a worthy part, we have carried our share of A CRUSADE FOR A CHRISTIAN WORLD?"

A Message From Lawrence M. Bixler

We are nearing the end of "The Crusade for a Christian World." In these last weeks every effort should be put forth to bring this special effort to a great climax.

It would be very nearly impossible to determine the total impact of the emphasis upon family life during the past three years. But there seems to be a new interest in making Christian

LAWRENCE M. BIXLER

teaching effective in our family life. This seed of interest is very important in the accomplishment of anything in the life of the church. Now that this seed of interest is planted, let us double and redouble our efforts to nurture it properly that it might produce much fruit.

There are few fields of interest that would be as rewarding for the amount of effort invested as in that of the family life. People are interested and the church has much to offer them. Churches need to take advantage of this great opportunity.

Zehrung Seeks New Field

Carl E. Zehrung and family, who did a splendid work for several years in Dillingham, Alaska, have been striving for some time to get a work started in a suburb of Anchorage, Alaska's largest city. The Tenth Street Church of Christ, under the leadership of Hal Watkins, is doing a fine work; but there is abundant room and need for a work on the other side of town. However, after trying in vain to secure property, and after realizing little in the way of results from their faithful preaching of the gospel, they have decided best to go elsewhere.

Brother Carl writes: "Support is part of the problem. As long as only a small part of our income is supplied from offerings to our work, it is necessary for us to locate where we can find employment. This we have determined: The Lord willing, we will preach the gospel in Alaska whether we are adequately supported by the church or not. One point remains: We will be limited in what we can do, if we do not have adequate support. (His total receipts from the brethren in 1949 amounted to $1686.08—J.F.C.) . . . . We are not complaining. We are simply laying the facts before you. 'Jehovah-jireh' 'the Lord will provide' We are saving funds now and plan to make a change about May first." Until then, the Zehrungs can be addressed at Box 2354, Anchorage, Alaska.—J.F.C.

Heralds For Christ

Dallas and Leeanna Meserve closed their meeting at Junction City on April 16 with 6 added by primary obedience and one coming as a life work recruit. They began their meeting at Sisters on April 23 with the morning service, participating in the assembly of the Central Oregon churches at Redmond in the afternoon and evening.

Their next meeting will be at Enterprise, May 28 - June 11, to be followed by the Cove Girls' Camp, June 18-24. —E.P.D.

Released From Penitentiary

Some 83 Ninety and Niners of the North Willamette District were released from the state penitentiary on April 24, date of the regular district rally. We are informed that this action was routine procedure following a tour of the penitentiary and talks by a guide and the chaplain of that institution, so perhaps it wasn't as bad as it sounds.

The Salem First Christian Church provided the dinner for the men and a brief business meeting was held there. —E.P.D.

Central Oregon Plans

A business meeting of the Ninety and Nine Men of the Central District was held at Redmond on April 23 in conjunction with the regular assembly meeting of the Central Oregon churches. President Myron Miles called for minutes of the last meeting at Culver on March 20 and Richard Tate, district treasurer, reported $92.81 forwarded to state treasurer on pledges. Plans were discussed for a survey of Prineville by the men. Reports from Culver indicated the parsonage there would soon be ready for occupancy — E.P.D.

Report From Cebu, Philippines

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carlson (Ray and Imogene) have sent out a splendid report of their work in the Cebu Christian Mission.

They report 229 baptisms in Cebu and Negros, in 1949. They say, "We can note a definite increase in the heart-beat of the churches and a deepening zeal for the cause of Christ. There are now over 600 in our fellowship."

Mission workers are Jose Villagracia, Crescencia Labrado, Ignacio Tagalog, Juan Dagatan and Florista Millendez.

On a recent Lord's Day, 8 were baptized in the provincial jail. The mission provided a tank for that purpose. The Presbyterians and Salvation Army are said to hold services in this jail, also, but that the Cebu Christian Mission is the only group that is having any converts, there.

In addition to the seven or eight churches and preaching points already established, other communities are calling for the word. One man in Astoria wants a church started there, and offers his house as a meeting place in the beginning. Cebu Christian Mission has been invited to present "our plea" at the so-called Iglesia ni Cristo Universal." The founder of this church recently died and the people are looking for leadership with a message and a program. Then a church in Iloilo, on the Island of Panay, after correspondence with Brother Carlson, has written that it wishes to become a New Testament church. It has been called the "Church of the Living God", but intends to adopt the name "Church of Christ."

Anyone interested in receiving the Cebu Christian, or in learning more about this work, should write to A. Ray Carlson, Cebu Christian Mission, P. O. Box 41, Cebu City, Philippines. — J. F. C.

Local Groups Active

On April 17 the men of the Silverton Ninety and Nine Brotherhood had as guests delegations from Albany and Lebanon. The Silverton ladies served the dinner and the visitors provided the entertainment in the program which followed. Olaf Paulson, local president at Silverton, presented Hugh Olds and Martin Farlee who proceeded to share in duties of program chairmen.

The mixed high school quartet from the Lebanon church was presented by Harvey Duerksen, teacher of the high school class. Leon Drapela, Richie Osburn, Carrol Wilson, Marilyn Gilliam, and Dorothy Whiteis, accompanist, comprised the group and provided two fine numbers. Orville Mick, Albany minister, led a song service accompanied by Mrs. Roger Aydelott followed by a solo by Roger Aydelott, Albany associate minister. Lynnton Elwell, Lebanon minister, brought the message of the evening. —E.P.D.

Victor E. Hoven, E. F. Beaudreau, Willard Elkins, Harry Benton, Ross J. Griffeth

The above picture was taken March 22, 1950 when four of the men who helped build Chapman Hall (The Dean's House) back in 1901, joined in starting the demolition of this building 49 years later. Following the beginning of the razing by Hoven, Beaudreau, Elkins and Benton, the building was quickly reduced to salvage items so that the new dormitory at Northwest Christian College could be erected.

Gertrude Shoemaker To Speak

Miss Gertrude Shoemaker, missionary on furlough from the Belgian Congo, will be one of the speakers on the Turner convention program. Miss Shoemaker is not a stranger to Oregon people, having spent many years in this state before going to Africa and during furlough years since. She is an evangelist and educational missionary at Mondombe, 1500 miles from the mouth of the Congo River. She has served in Congo since 1926, supported by the Disciples of Christ through The United Christian Missionary Society. On the Mondombe station Miss Shoemaker is responsible for the schools.

An important part of the work which Miss Shoemaker does is the supervision of the work in schools and churches under the leadership of native Christians in the back country. This requires long itinerations from the station. For many years these were accomplished only on bicycle and on foot and in many areas can be reached today only by such means. However, the system of roads is rapidly speeding up the schedule.

Miss Shoemaker was last on furlough in 1944-45 after a term of seven years including the war years when transportation across the Atlantic was impossible. She is a graduate of the College of Idaho and spent two years in teaching before entering the College of Missions, Indianapolis, for special training. Before her return to Africa she will study in Belgium for six months in compliance with the government regulations for those who serve in the Belgian Congo.

Corvallis Hears Fairbrook

The local Ninety and Nine group at Corvallis met on April 24 with Jim Fairbrook of Everett, Wash. as guest speaker. Special piano selections were played by Joe Brye. Gilbert Faxon gave a report on new churches in which the state Ninety and Nine Men had shared in organizing or building. —E.P.D.

43 Meet At Kern Park

A local meeting of the Kern Park Ninety and Niners drew 43 men on April 21. The ladies of the church provided kitchen help as a pot-luck meal was shared. Plans for sending boys to camp were discussed in the business meeting as well as the entry of a team in the softball league of the Portland area churches. A travel picture on the beauties of Oregon was shown preceding fellowship and fun in games. — E.P.D.

Myrtle Men Busy

At the April meeting of the Myrtle District Plans were considered for reviving church work at Bridge in cooperation with a student minister from N.C.C. Discussion was made of the possibility of a Christian Girls' Camp in the Southern Area in 1951 with the girls to be encouraged this year to attend the camp at Turner, July 16-22. The May 15 rally at Coquille was designated as ladies' night. —E.P.D.

Home Visited

St. Johns Ninety and Nine Men sponsored a church visit to the Northwestern Christian Home on April 19. Special music was provided by Earl Moore and a puppet illustration of the palsied man was given by Jerry Hayes and Jerome Eyestone of the Junior Dept. Movies completed the entertainment of an enjoyable evening. —E.P.D.

Stills Sail For Hawaii

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Still, veteran missionaries, sailed from Los Angeles for Hawaii, Wednesday, May 3rd. These quiet but sturdy soldiers of the cross spent a number of years with the Cunninghams, in the Yotsuya Mission in Tokyo, Japan, prior to the war. During the war, or near its close, unable to return to Japan, they went to Hawaii, and began a fine work there. As soon as the way was opened for them to get back into Japan, they returned there, leaving their daughter Eleanor (now Mrs. Wm. Sprankles) with another helper or two, in charge of the work in Hawaii. However, after a year or so in Japan, they were forced to return to the States because of the illness of Mrs. Still.

Now, though Mrs. Still is not well, they feel that the climate of Hawaii is such as to permit her living there. Hence, feeling so strongly the call to labor in the distant fields, they go to resume the work they began there before their last service in Japan.

During their two or three years in the States, Brother and Sister Still established and built up a thriving church in Phoenix, Arizona — the Sunnyslope congregation.

Their address in Hawaii will be, Star Route, Wailua, Oahu, T. H. Their daughter Ruth, 19 years of age, will go with them.

Bill and Eleanor Sprankles will leave Hawaii for the states on May 21st. They desire to serve in Christian Service Camps, this summer, and to begin more schooling this fall. —J. F. C.

Northwestern Christian Home

MARY E. PHILLIPS, SUPERINTENDENT RAY C. SMITH, AREA REPRESENTATIVE

Appearing in this issue is a view of the Home taken last summer while the flowers were at their best, and also a recent picture of our working staff. At the April Board meeting a committee was appointed to take preliminary steps in the planning for an adequate addition to our main building to enable us to care for more of our needy and worthy members. The committee is composed of Martin Kullowatz, G. W. Overstreet, J. T. Canright, L. H. Fishburn and Mrs. Mary Parker. They have already conferred with Mr. Kelly in regard to sketches and plans to present to the Board when it meets in May.

interesting talk on life in the Colorado Christian Children's Home in Denver by James H. Tilsley, its manager.

Five sacks of fine potatoes were recently received from the Church at Jerome, Idaho. Another gift of about 80 pounds of bacon has been received from Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Korschgen of the Monroe St. Market in Corvallis. Several friends sent in four beautiful Easter lilies All of these things are very much appreciated. Rain and bad weather have slowed up our gardening and flower growing this Spring, but the men are doing some maintenance work outside.

STAFF MEMBERS

Among special events last month were the following: An afternoon meeting sponsored by the Women's Council of the Forest Grove church, a showing of colored slides of the Okinawa Christian Mission, a full evening's entertainment furnished by the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood of St Johns, a visit by the Camp-fire girls of the Barnes school district who brought attractive little May baskets to the Home folks, and an extremely

A few calls for fruit jars for this summer's canning have been received but we are hoping that there will be many others. Mr. Staffensen has worked most of the winter in assorting, packing and labeling hundreds of jars for shipping, and he as well as all of us will be disappointed if they are not sent out. A phone call or a post card will have your jars enroute in short order.

Women To Meet In Turner Church

For several years the women of the churches of Oregon have been requesting that we try meeting in the Turner church on the morning of Women's Day at the convention, so that those people who participate in the program might be heard. So, this year we are going to try it. We will meet at the church at 8:30 on the morning of June 29 and continue there until noon when we will go back to the grounds for the afternoon program. A most interesting program for the morning hours is being arranged with Edith Eberle, book lady of the United Society and members of the Women's State Board directing. The three and one half hour session will be in the nature of a "One Room School". Many worthwhile lessons will be taught and learned on that day. If you are driving in for the day, come directly to the church. Be sure to be there by 8:30 so you will not be counted tardy. We hope there will be no absentees on that day. Vesper services will be held in the Turner church as usual at 4:30.

Book Sales Lady

Miss Edith Eberle, genial book sales lady of the United Christian Missionary Society will be with us again this year in the convention. Miss Eberle is always ready to help in any way that she can, either by talking about books or teaching women's classes. She will be telling us about the new study and discussion materials, interesting materials for young people and children and books of general interest to adults. She will lead one of the class periods on Thursday morning at the Turner church.

LUCY ANN BISH

Mrs. Lucy Bish, wife of Bill Bish, elder in the Portland, St. Johns church, passed away on April 2 after an extended illness. She was born in 1909 in Canada and moved to Portland in 1924. Mrs. Bish had been active in the St. Johns church and was treasurer of the missionary society. She requested that flowers be omitted from the funeral and asked that contributions be made to the building fund of the church. She is survived by her husband and three daughters: Ruth Cullison, Alice and Irene Bish; and a granddaughter, Donna Marie.

Business Women To Tour

Miss Katherine Schutze, National Executive Secretary of Business and Professional Women's Guilds is conducting a tour for Business women of our churches, August 5-24 of this year. The purpose of the tour is to visit our home and foreign missions; to see historic and scenic places; to have fun and fellowship together. They plan to leave St. Louis via the Missouri Pacific on August 5, visit Mexican Christian Institute, our community center carrying on work among thousands of families; The Alamo; San Jose Mission, our mission work in San Luis Potosi, Aguascalientes, Guadalajara, Mexico City. This will be a most interesting and enjoyable experience. Many business women in the United States visit centers of interest in our country and abroad every summer. Why not go on this tour and learn how our church carries on a part of its missionary task? If you are interested, write Miss Katherine Schutze, 222 South Downey Ave., Indianapolis 7, Indiana for complete information.

Missionary Speaker

Mrs. Grace Hendricks, so well known to many of the churches of Oregon, missionary on furlough from Japan, will be making several addresses at the Turner convention this year. For several years, 1937-41, Mrs. Hendricks served as State President of the Women's Missionary Society of Oregon. As soon as it was possible, after the close of the war, she and her husband returned to Tokyo where they have been engaged in missionary work. Mrs. Hendricks' work is largely in the educational field but she is called upon to do many and varied types of work as is the case with all missionaries. It has been a part of her responsibility these last years since the war to supervise the distribution of clothing and other gifts sent by the people of America. She often tells of the gratitude that fills the hearts of the Japanese people. They can't quite understand why the American people are so good to them after they treated us as they did. We all know it was not the Christians who caused the trouble. Some of the finest Christians in all the world live in Japan. The leaders are giving sacrificially of their time and strength that the message of Christ might be spread abroad in the world. Mr. Hendricks returned to Japan in January; Mrs. Hendricks will join him some time this coming summer.

BECAUSE THIS ISSUE IS A SPECIAL CONVENTION ISSUE THERE WAS INSUFFICIENT SPACE FOR CHURCH NEWS

Lab School

"The presence of children in our midst impels us to have leaders for them. The church must haye leaders who continue to become better persons themselves and who continue to improve their teaching."

Churches are becoming increasingly aware that there is dire need for consecrated teachers who can effectively guide boys and girls in Christian growth. Constant growth is necessary. One of the recurring opportunities is the Laboratory Training School. The Oregon school this summer will be held in First Christian Church at Salem, Oregon. The date is the week of July 9th to 15th. Registration and room assignment for lodging will be on Sunday afternoon, July 9th.

Ruth Towne will supervise. She will be welcomed enthusiastically by those who had contacts with her in field work last summer. One of the added features of this year will be a department for Nursery age level.

As an individual, interested in Christ and His children — step out on your own, determined to find a place in your summer activity plans, for a real experience in being a "fellow co-worker" with Him who is our Guide. We covet your interest and prayers that God will work through us as we attempt to direct this Laboratory Training experience. For further information as to details of the school, write to Mrs. R. E. Moshier, Rt. 3, Box 32, Eugene, Oregon.

"Crater Lake Men Meet"

The Ashland Church was the host for a rally of the Southern District (as of before business meeting) on April 24. Arden Hall, district secretary was a very capable master of ceremonies on behalf of the Ashland men. The ladies of the church got the rally off to a good start with a delicious dinner and Mrs. O. Peters sang two very entertaining soloes, accompanied by Mrs. Webber.

Business included local reports from Medford, Ashland, Central Point, and Grants Pass, with the latter group having an interesting account of juvenile delinquency developments in their city. The distinctive name of Crater Lake was chosen for the district, and the next rally was scheduled for Grants Pass on July 31.

W. C. Piper brought an evangelistic message,, emphasizing Jesus' call for men to become "Fishers of Men". The chorus of that name was appropriately sung as preparations were made for showing of the Boys' camp film and an educational film, "Evangeline Land." —E.P.D.